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Remarks/Arguments

Claim 3 is amended. Claims 1 and 4-8 are cancelled and allowed claims 14-18 are maintained.

Claim Rejections

Applicants cancel claims 1 and 4-8; as such, the rejections to these claims are now moot.

Amended claim 3

Applicants acknowledge and are grateful for the Examiner's indication of the allowability of claim 3. In accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, Applicants amend claim 3 to include the subject matter of claim 1 and convert claim 3 to an independent claim, thereby placing claim 3 into condition for allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the cancellation of all the rejected claims and the amendment to the objected to claim, the application is considered to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and passage to issue is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments that would facilitate the disposition or resolution of the issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 609-734-6816.

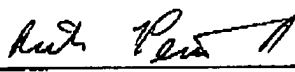
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